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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In the application of** : Michael Cole  
**Serial No.** : 09/997,154  
**Filed** : November 28, 2001  
**For** : Method and Apparatus for Determining Temperature of and Controlling the Evaporation of Liquid Samples  
**Examiner** : Brian R. Gordon  
**Art Unit** : 1743  
**Customer number** : 23644

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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED**  
**JULY 30, 2004**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
PO Box 1450  
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Dear Sir,

In further response to the Final Office Action of July 30, 2004, it is requested that the application be further amended as follows: